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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. ABG 3003 CUSTOMER NUMBER: 30868

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ELECTRODE-BEARING GUIDE, COCHLEAR IMPLANT COMPRISING SAID GUIDE AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

(X) was filed on December 15, 2003 as PCT International Application Number PCT/ES2003/000632 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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| COUNTRY | APPLICATION NUMBER | DATE FILED | PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119 | |
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U.S. Priority Claim

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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